



Clipper BayPass Project Update Fare Integration Task Force October 23, 2023 Agenda Item 4b

Agenda



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Phase 1 Interim Evaluation





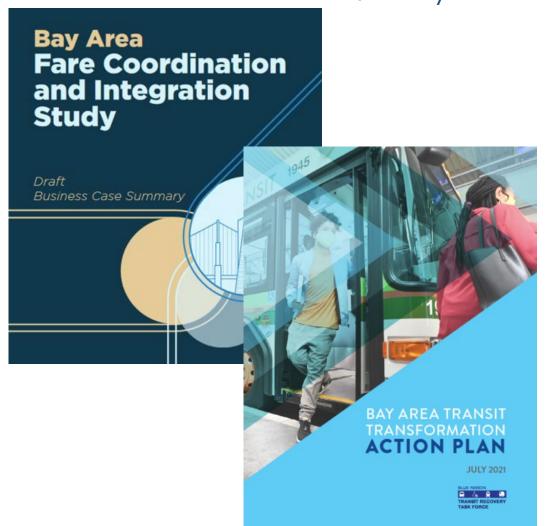




Clipper BayPass Objectives

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- Understand how an all-agency transit pass may better meet the needs of transit riders and institutions/employers
- Understand how an all-agency transit pass may increase transit ridership and support regional climate change and sustainability goals
- Evaluate pilot impacts to inform a permanent program







Clipper BayPass Phase 1 Overview



Pilot with University Students & Affordable Housing Residents

- 50,000 eligible residents at 4 universities/colleges and 12 affordable housing properties
- BayPass randomly assigned to some students at SFSU, SJSU, and UCB
- All individuals offered BayPass at SRJC and MidPen



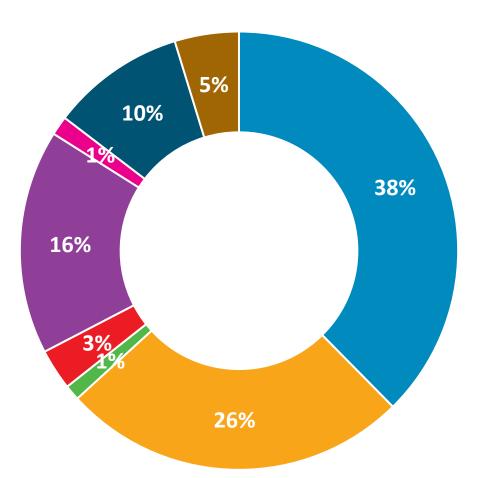




More than 2 Million Trips Taken



BayPass Trips by Operator



"I can go from school to work to my home without having to worry about refilling my Clipper and counting how much money I've spent on it."

"I really like how convenient it is to have all the public transportation options in one card."

"I love the Clipper BayPass. It makes commuting so much easier and more convenient than using a regular Clipper card."



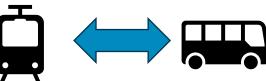


Interim Evaluation Takeaways After Year 1 (Universities)

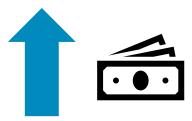
Travel activity data shows that BayPass increases:

Public Transportation
Usage

Transfers between Operators



Average Fare



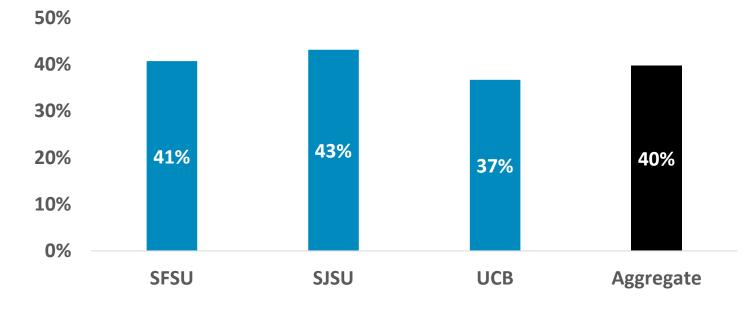






BayPass Increases Public Transportation Usage

Increase in Average Total Number of Public Transportation Trips per Card due to BayPass





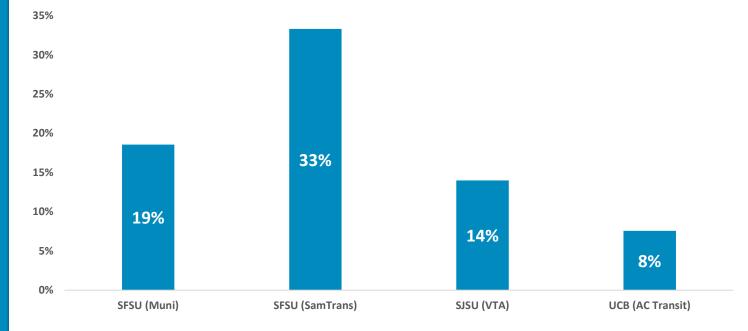






BayPass Increases Public Transportation Usage

Increase in Average Total Number of Public Transportation <u>Trips per Card (for Existing Institutional Pass Operator)</u> due to BayPass



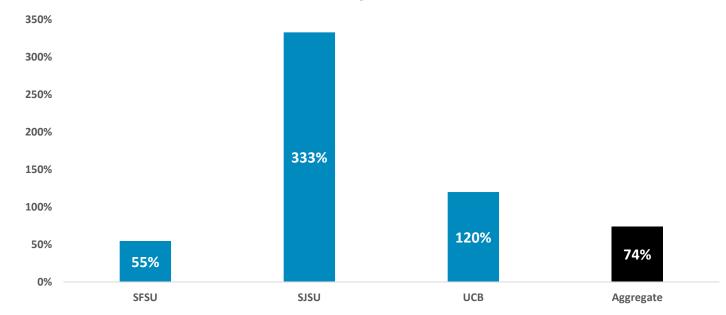






BayPass Increases Transfers Between Operators

Increase in Average Number of <u>Transfers</u> between Operators per Trip due to BayPass





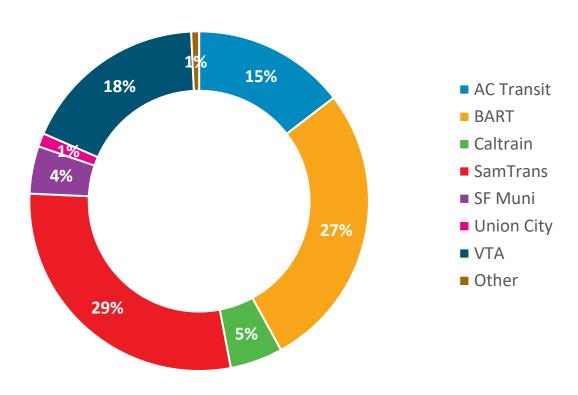


MidPen Housing: Highlights



- More than 2,200 residents are eligible for BayPass in Alameda, Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties
- ~900 residents have picked up BayPass (40% of eligible)
- More than 60,000 trips taken across 12 properties
- MidPen BayPass card users make ~17 transfers between operators per year
- 70% of residents surveyed strongly agreed that since receiving BayPass they are more likely to take public transit

MidPen Trips Taken by Operator



Trips by operator on BayPass at MidPen Housing November 1, 2022 through August 17, 2023



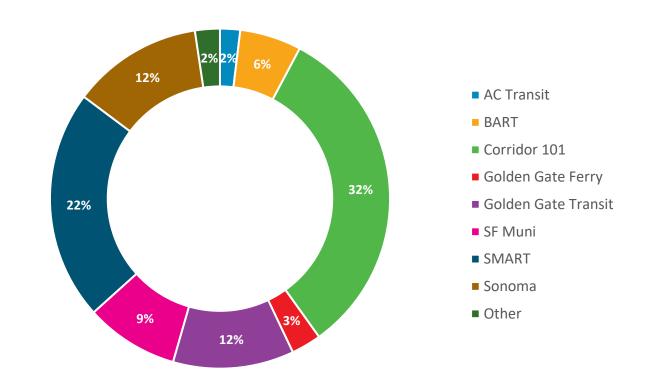




Santa Rosa Junior College: Highlights

SRJC Trips Taken by Operator

- 5,000 students eligible for BayPass
- More than 2,500 students are using BayPass
- More than 140,000 trips taken in first year
- On average, 60 trips per active card in first year



Trips by operator on BayPass August 2022 through August 17, 2023





BayPass makes traveling simpler, easier and more affordable





"I love the Clipper BayPass. I would not be able to afford commuting to school without it. It makes commuting so much easier and more convenient."

— SFSU Student





What's Next for the BayPass Evaluation?

A full Phase 1 evaluation report will be available in Fall 2024, including results from:

- Conducting two additional surveys (Fall 2023 and Spring 2024)
- Analyzing attitudes and perceptions from surveys
- Evaluating BayPass impacts by:
 - demographic groups
 - impacts on mode share and parking and associated sustainability impacts
- Focus groups on administration







Phase 1 Continuation











Overall Approach

Phase 1 continuation aims to offer existing institutions to purchase BayPass for all eligible students and residents to extend the pilot for an additional 1-2 years until a full post-pilot program can be developed









Summary of project team preliminary recommendations

Scale

- Offer BayPass for purchase to existing institutions for all eligible students/residents at existing institutions
- Does not require limiting the BayPass to a random sample

Pricing

 Offer pricing to institutions to purchase BayPass with a goal of revenue-neutrality

Approvals

- PM develop an amendment to Participation Agreement
- Operators seek Board or GM approvals for addendum (which will follow the terms of existing Participation Agreement); aim for approvals in early 2024





Summary of project team preliminary recommendations

Contracts

- Institutions maintain existing single agency agreements
- MTC to hold contract for BayPass as an add-on to existing institutional agreements

Administration

 Continue to be managed by a combination of PM team, institution staff, and operator staff

Evaluation

Continue to monitor and evaluate impacts of expanding pilot participation





Acknowledging Challenges



Key Policy Questions to Consider for Future

- Existing single agency institutional pricing may not fully recover the cost of transit in all cases
- Institutional pricing varies by location
- What does "revenue-neutral" mean for students and affordable housing residents? (i.e., Clipper Adult fare only, Adult fare with justifiable discount rate, Clipper Start fare, incorporate BayPass effect factor, etc.)



October 2023

Share overall approach with FITF

December 2023

Finalize pricing proposals with operators & institutions

March 2024

Board approvals for Participation Agreement Addendum

July 2024

Phase 1 continuation effective















November 2023

Bring a
Participation
Agreement
Addendum to
the FITF

January 2024

Finalize
Participation
Agreement
Addendum

May 2024

MTC and institutions enter new add-on contracts



Post-Pilot Expansion



Background

 Universities that did not participate in pilot continue to reach out for purchasing BayPass

Proposal

Complete Year 1 Interim Evaluation of Pilot Phase (Fall 2023)

- Develop proposals for a post-pilot expansion through direction from the FITF (Spring 2024)
- Open process for interested institutions to apply to participate in and purchase passes through a post-pilot program (Fall 2024)
- Launch a post-pilot program (Fall 2025)





Phase 2 Reminders









Milestones for Launching Employer Pass Pilot in 2023

Task Force endorsed Participation Agreement terms and directed staff to develop Final Participation Agreement

August 28, 2023

Transit operators approve Participation Agreement for Phase 2

By October 31, 2023

Early October 2023

MTC distributes Final Participation Agreement for approvals to transit operators

December 2023

Pilot launch begins on a rolling basis





Phase 2 – Operator Next Steps



By October 31, 2023

- Please share your agency's approval of the Final Participation Agreement (via DocuSign to be distributed by MTC)
- Agency approval requirements should be determined by operator staff, and may range from General Manager approval to Board Action
- For questions, please contact tplee@bayareametro.gov and ryan.reeves@bart.gov



Thank you!





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